

ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION FORM

The following information is requested pursuant California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15063(e). This information will be used by the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) in conducting an Initial Study to determine if the proposed project may have a significant effect on the environment. The findings of the Initial Study will assist DTSC in determining whether an Environmental Impact Report, Negative Declaration or other environmental document should be prepared pursuant the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).¹

Instructions:

Provide the information requested below and within each of the environmental resource categories (use additional sheets, if necessary). If the item is not applicable to the project, include a brief explanation as to why it would not be applicable. Include the name, title and page numbers for all reference documents used in support of the information provided. If an individual is used as a reference, please include name, title, employer, and date of the interview. Attach copies of all references.

PROJECT TITLE:

PROJECT ADDRESS:

CITY:

COUNTY:

PROJECT SPONSOR:

CONTACT:

PHONE:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

1. Aesthetics

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

- Describe the site's proximity to a scenic vista.
- Describe the site's proximity to a state scenic highway that contains scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings and historic buildings.
- Describe the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings.
- Describe existing sources of light at and in proximity to the site.

References Used:

2. Agricultural Resources

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

- Indicate if the site is located on or in proximity to Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency.
- Indicate if the site is located on or in proximity to land zoned for agriculture use, or under Williamson Act contract.

References Used:

¹ Pub. Resources Code, div. 13, § 21000 et seq

3. Air Quality

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

- a. Identify the applicable air quality management district having jurisdiction over the air basin where the site is located.
- b. Identify the criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors).
- c. Describe all equipment or processes that would be stationary or mobile sources of air emissions or odors, and indicate whether a permit from the applicable air quality management district would be required for such equipment or processes, or any other aspect of the project.
- d. Indicate if the site is a source of Naturally Occurring Asbestos.

References Used:

4. Biological Resources

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

- a. Identify any candidate, sensitive or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service that may be present at or in close proximity to the site.
- b. Identify any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service that may be present at or in close proximity to the site.
- c. Identify any federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) that may be present at or in close proximity to the site.
- d. Identify any native resident, migratory fish, wildlife species, nursery sites or corridors that may be present at or in close proximity to the site.
- e. Identify any local policies or ordinances, such as a tree preservation policy, protecting biological resources that may be present at or in close proximity to the site.
- f. Identify any adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan that may be applicable to biological resources present at or in close proximity to the site.

References Used:

5. Cultural Resources

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

- a. Identify any historical resources, as defined in section 15064.5 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (CEQA Guidelines or Guidelines) that may be present at or in close proximity to the site.
- b. Identify any archeological resources, pursuant to section 15064.5 of the Guidelines that may be present at or in close proximity to the site.
- c. Identify any unique paleontological resources or unique geologic features that may be present at or in close proximity to the site.
- d. Identify any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries that may be present at or in close proximity to the site.

- e. Provide the results of any California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) inventory search conducted by the appropriate Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) Information Center.
- f. Provide the results of any Registry of Sacred Sites search conducted by the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) and summary of any follow-up contacts with tribal representatives.

References Used:

6. Geology and Soils

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

- a. Describe the sites location relative to nearby areas of known earthquake faults, delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area, or based on other substantial evidence. (Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42).
- b. Describe the sites location relative to nearby geologic units or soils that are unstable, or that might become unstable as a result of the project.
- c. Indicate if the site is located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994).
- d. If waste water will be disposed and sewers are not available, indicate if the site is located on soils that are capable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems.
- e. Provide a contour site map.

References Used:

7. Hazards and Hazardous Materials

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

- a. Describe those aspects of the proposed project that may involve the transport, use or disposal of hazardous materials.
- b. Summarize the conclusions of any studies that examined any hazards to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions at the site that involved the release of hazardous materials into the environment.
- c. Describe those aspects of the project that may emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school or other sensitive receptors.
- d. Indicate if the site is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.
- e. Identify and describe the conditions of any adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan that would be required during proposed project implementation.

References Used:

8. Hydrology and Water Quality

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

- a. Identify and describe any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements that may apply to the proposed project. If applicable, include the name of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board responsible for project oversight.
- b. Indicate if the site is located over a known groundwater aquifer, and describe those aspects of the project that may require the extraction or recharge of groundwater.

- c. Describe any site drainage features, including streams or rivers, and the capacity of existing or planned storm water drainage.
- d. Indicate if the site is located within a 100-year flood hazard area.
- e. Indicate if the site is located in an area subject to inundation by seiche (resonant oscillation of water), tsunami or mudflow.

References Used:

9. Land Use and Planning

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

- a. Identify the zoning designation and allowable land uses and limitations of the site and the applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation and agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance).
- b. Identify the applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan and agency with jurisdiction over the project.

References Used:

10. Mineral Resources

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

- a. Identify any mineral resources that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state that are located on or in proximity to the site.
- b. Indicate if the site is a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan.

References Used:

11. Noise

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

- a. Describe those aspects of the project that would generate noise, the anticipated noise levels, and the standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies.
- b. Describe those aspects of the project that would generate noise excessive groundbourne vibration or groundbourne noise levels.
- c. Describe ambient noise levels at and in the vicinity of the site.

References Used:

12. Population and Housing

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

- a. Describe those aspects of the project that would induce substantial population growth in area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure).
- b. Describe those aspects of the project that would displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere.

- c. Describe those aspects of the project that would displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere.

References Used:

13. Public Services

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

Describe to what extent the following services are currently being provided at or in proximity of the site:

- ❖ Fire protection
- ❖ Police protection
- ❖ Schools
- ❖ Parks
- ❖ Other public facilities

References Used:

14. Recreation

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

Describe existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities that are located at or in proximity of the site.

References Used:

15. Transportation and Traffic

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

- a. Describe those aspects of the project that would affect the existing transportation system at and in the vicinity of the site.
- b. Describe the traffic load and capacity of the street system in the vicinity of the site.
- c. Describe the level of service standard established by the country congestion management agency for designated roads or highway.
- d. Describe any hazards due to design features (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment) of roads or highways that may exist in the vicinity of the site.
- e. Describe emergency access routes that may exist at or in the vicinity of the site.
- f. Describe the current parking capacity existing at or in the vicinity of the site.
- g. Describe any adopted policies, plans, or programs supporting alternative transportation (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks) that may exist at or in the vicinity of the site.

References Used:

16. Utilities and Service Systems

Description of Baseline Environmental Conditions:

- a. Describe those aspects of the project that would require wastewater treatment approvals from the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board.
- b. Describe those aspects of the project that would require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater

treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities.

- c. Describe those aspects of the project that would require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities.
- d. Identify water supplies that are available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or if new or expanded entitlements are needed.
- e. Identify the wastewater treatment provider that serves or may serve the project, and indicate whether or not it has adequate capacity to serve the projects projected demand in addition to the providers existing commitments.
- f. Describe those aspects of the project that would require disposal of materials at a landfill, identify the landfill to be utilized, and indicate if the landfill has sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the projects solid waste disposal needs.

References Used:

Certification:

I hereby certify that the statements furnished above and in the attached exhibits present the data and information required for this initial evaluation to the best of my ability, and that the facts, statements, and information presented are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Preparer's Signature

Date

Preparer's Name

Preparer's Title

Phone #